Also Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) and Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) filed complaint against M/s Reliance Infocomm Ltd. (RIL). MTNL and BSNL raised bills amounting to Rs. 341.27 crores and Rs. 319.04 crores respectively on M/s RIL which have been paid by M/s RIL. The matter is subjudice.

Formulation of a semi-conductor policy

1665. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the formulation of a semi-conductor policy is under way;

(b) if so, by when the policy is going to be finalized;

(c) what has been the outcome of the inter-actions between his Ministry and the Ministry of Finance;

(d) whether the aspect of providing any incentives to the upcoming semi-conductor industry has been finalized;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) if not, the reasons therefor;

(g) whether any delay in finalizing the policy would hamper the progress of the semi-conductor lab in Hyderabad; and

(h) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) to (h) The formulation of a policy in respect of the manufacture of Semi-conductor and other high technology Information Technology products is under the consideration of the Government.

A final view has yet to be taken regarding the package of incentives. The policy is being finalised and would be announced shortly.